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SUBJECT: PAKISTAN AND PALESTINE

1. ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PAKISTAN TIMES (LAHORE EDITION) OCTOBER 25, PUNJAB FINANCE MINISTER HANEEF RAMAY TOLD GATHERING ORGANIZED BY PAKISTAN FIKRI MAHAZ THAT GOP "WOULD SHORTLY RECOGNIZE THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION." HE WENT ON TO EXPRESS FULL SUPPORT FOR "PALESTINIAN PEOPLE AND ARABS IN THEIR WAR OF LIBERATION AGAINST ISRAEL." HE WARNED THAT CEASE-FIRE IN MIDDLE EAST AND KASHMIR WOULD NOT PREVENT WARS UNLESS BASIC PROBLEMS ARE SOLVED AND PALESTINIANS AND KASHMIRIS ARE GIVEN FREEDOM.

2. URDU PRESS ADDED THAT RAMAY SAID "PAKISTAN PALESTINE ORGANIZATION" WOULD COLLECT MONEY TO BUY ARMS FOR PLO, AND SPECIFICALLY AL-FATAH.

3. OCTOBER 23 PAKISTAN TIMES REPORTED THAT RAMAY, IN ADDRESS  
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AT PAKISTAN NATIONAL CENTER IN LAHORE TOLD AUDIENCE THAT CEASE-

FIRE IN MIDDLE EAST "DID NOT PRESUPPOSE THAT ARABS WOULD STOP STRUGGLING FOR THEIR LEGITIMATE RIGHTS AND ACCEPT THE EXISTENCE OF ISRAEL, AN OUTPOST OF WESTERN POWERS IN THD MIDDLE EAST." EVEN IF OIL CUT-OFF PROVOKED AMERICANS "TO EMBARK ON FURTHER IMPERIALIST VENTURES," RAMAY WENT ON, "ARABS ARE CAPABLE OF MEETING ALL SUCH CON-  
TINGENCIES."

4. LATTER MEETING WAS ALSO ADDRESSED BY MUSTAFA SAHLI, AL-FATAH REPRESENTATIVE IN LAHORE, AND NAJIB KHANFIR, PRESIDENT OF LAHORE ARAB STUDENTS ASSOCIATION, BOTH OF WHOM SPOKE ALONG STANDARD PALESTINIAN LINES AND CONTENDED THAT ARABS WOULD GO ON FIGHTING UNTIL ISRAEL IS "ANNIHILATED" AND STATE OF PALESTINE RECONSTITUTED.

5. DR. MAJOR MUZAFFAR SHAH, PRESIDENT OF PUNJAB SECTION OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, TOLD PRESS OCTOBER 24 THAT PMMA PLANNED TO SEND TEAM OF 5 DOCTORS AND 500 BOTTLES OF BLOOD PLASMA TO MIDDLE EAST. HE SAID PMA PREPARED TO DO MORE, IF ARABS SO DESIRE.

6. MINISTER RAMAY IS BHUTTO'S NUMBER TWO MAN IN PUNJAB AND, EVER SINCE HIS DAYS AS EDITOR OF TWO LEFT-LEANING LAHORE DAILIES, HAS BEEN CLOSE TO PM.  
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